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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Assistant Deputy Director (Intelligence) for Management

Executive Director - Comptroller

SUBJECT: Research and Development Project Approval Request for Extension of Existing Contract, [REDACTED]

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REFERENCE: DCI Memo MR 64-80121, dated 23 December 1963: Approval of Research and Development Activities

In compliance with paragraph 4.b. of the reference, it is requested that the Extension of Existing Contract, [REDACTED] outlined in Annex "A" be approved.

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APPROVED:

(signed) Lyman B. Kirkpatrick

12 MAY 1964

for

Marshall B. Carter
Lieutenant General, USA
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

Date

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Research and Development
Project Approval Request

I. Identification

This project is a continuation of an existing contract, [] for an additional year. It is to be funded at the [] level as part of Object Class 700, "Other Contractual Services -- Research and Development." The internal designation is "Empirical Studies in Photo Exploitation", and the contract is intended to be broad enough to encompass investigations into the many areas related to photo interpretation. The items to be accomplished under this contract are contained in the various categories listed in the Class 700 detail sheets accompanying the NPIC financial plan. They have been recommended under a single contract in order to take advantage of knowledge gained from the R & D effort at [] on Acquisition Systems. Funds are, therefore, available in the approved budget.

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II. Objectives

The objective is to continue the investigation of new methods or devices which will further the state-of-the-art for the extraction of collected information from photographic materials. This investigation will be made through studies, tests, and the fabrication and use of engineering breadboard equipment.

III. Background

This contract, initiated in May 1963, is similar to a contract between OSA and [] which was tailored to fit acquisition requirements. A series of "Work Statements" generated by both [] and by NPIC resulted in the mutually agreed upon "Work Statement" which became the essence of Contract [] unique prior experience in the acquisition, duplication and exploitation phases of specialized aerial photographic systems made them an obvious choice for the work. Savings are anticipated through timely application of knowledge gained by [] in the acquisition business to the problems found in the exploitation business. It is intended to continue this program from year to year as long as the need exists and savings from this relationship can be anticipated. Excellent results have been achieved under the current contractual arrangements.

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IV. Technical Specifications

Attachment A is a brief summary of the Projects which require funding. Each project under this contract has been thoroughly evaluated by members of the NPIC technical staff, which has a background in all phases of the duplication and exploitation of aerial photography. Technical specifications for each project are on file in the OSA Contracts Division and in the NPIC, Plans and Development Staff.

V. Contractor and Financial Arrangements

25X1 [] is the only company considered because this request is for a follow-on to an existing contract with that company, rather than for a new contract. Other factors affecting a decision in favor of [] 25X1 [] are that they are the recognized leaders in the technical fields covered by this contract and are deeply involved in the acquisition phases of the photographic material NPIC must exploit.

25X1 Attachment B is a summary of the additional funds needed to continue this contract, the amount NPIC has been authorized, the amount obligated for work authorized and the amount required to complete the additional necessary projects. The amount listed as "For Exigencies" is necessary because NPIC cannot accurately predict the cost of some projects until the Contractor submits the technical proposals and cost estimates; in addition, problems related to current investigations are regularly surfaced which require additional engineering which cannot be foreseen.

VI. Coordination

Many of the individual projects were presented at the Joint Procurement Meeting held at NPIC on 27 - 28 February 1964. Attendees at the Joint Procurement Meeting included representatives of USNPIC, WPAFB, GIMRADA, AMS, ACIC, SAC, RADC and ACSI.

Internal coordination on proposed projects was accomplished through the NPIC Technical Development Committee on 16 April 1964. Additional informal coordination is accomplished through regular liaison with DD/S&T components, particularly OSA and ORD.

VII. Security

25X1 The Secret [] classification of the existing contract will be continued. This classification was assigned because many of the projects are of a "state-of-the-art" nature and indicate a deep interest in the large-scale duplication and exploitation of aerial photography.

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Since the [] personnel and facility to be used for this contract are also used in other OSA contracts, it was considered mandatory to have OSA write and handle the initial contract. An adequate number of [] personnel in this facility have been given codeword clearances.

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